

Black Inter-American Mobilities and Autobiography in the Age of Revolutions (1760-1860)

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Theoretical Approach and State of Research

- Black Atlantic, Inter-American, Mobility, and Autobiography Studies
- studies black physical, social, cultural, and narrative mobilities
- context: first wave of independence movements in the Americas
- intersectionality of race and other identity categories; interactions between narrative practices and social discourses

Methodology and Text Corpus

- theory-informed critical reading and analysis of texts in their socio-cultural contexts and as participants in specific discourses
 - confinements and mobilities in Blacks' narratives of Indian captivity
 - slave narratives and the spatial and social mobilities of slaves
 - mobilizations of faith and faithful in black missionaries' travelogues
 - independent professionals' narratives of social and spatial mobility

Exemplary Section:

African American Narratives of Indian Captivity

- North American Indian Captivity
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